

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 29 and ending on page 13, line 7 as follows:

Briefly, the inventors created one mutant by introducing substitution mutations into one of the inverted repeat sequences of *loxP* (sense strand) (ATAACTTCGTATA (SEQ ID NO: 4); shown at the left in Fig. 4b) so that the mutated sequence becomes TACCGTTCGTATA (underlined portion was changed). This mutant is designated "lox71" (SEQ ID NO: 1; Figure 4b). The other mutant was created by introducing substitution mutations into the other inverted repeat sequence of *loxP* (sense strand) (TATACGAAGTTAT (SEQ ID NO: 5); shown at the right in Fig. 4b) so that the mutated sequence becomes TATACGAACGGTA (underlined portion was changed). This mutant is designated "lox66" (SEQ ID NO: 2; Figure 4b).

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING

Please replace the Sequence Listing of record with the Substitute Sequence Listing enclosed herewith.